

REMARKS

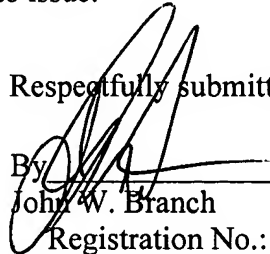
The Office Action mailed August 11, 2004 indicated the application is generally in condition for allowance except for four objections regarding Claims 1, 10, and 24. In regard to Claim 1, the Office Action suggested a correction for an antecedent basis informality. In regard to Claim 24, the Office Action suggested two corrections for antecedent basis informalities. Finally, the Office Action objected to Claim 10 as being a substantial duplicate of Claim 1.

In response to these objections, Applicants have made amendments to Claims 1 and 24 that substantially follow the Office Action's suggestions. Also, Claim 10 has been cancelled, and Claims 11 and 12 have been amended to depend from amended Claim 1 instead of cancelled Claim 10.

No new subject matter has been added by any of the amendments. Each of the presently pending claims are now in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

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